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Serial No. : 09/895,609      Examiner : Unknown  
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SECOND ELECTRODES

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RE-SUBMISSION OF REVOCATION AND NEW POWER OF ATTORNEY

On October 18, 2002, applicants submitted the enclosed Revocation and New Power of Attorney referencing the above-identified application.

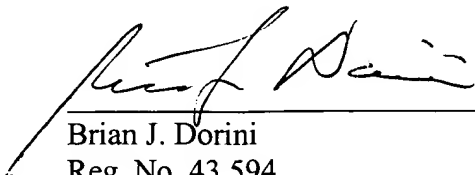
Although the undersigned has learned by telephone that the power of attorney may have been processed, no written confirmation has yet been received of our appointment. Accordingly, for the convenience of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, applicants are re-submitting the Revocation and New Power of Attorney and respectfully request written acknowledgement of the change in power of attorney for this application.

Form PTO/SB/122 changing the correspondence address for this case is being filed concurrently.

Please also return a date-stamped copy of the enclosed postcard and apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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Under 37 CFR §3.73(b) ORATEC INTERVENTIONS, INC., a Delaware corporation, certifies that it is the assignee of 100% of the right, title and interest in the sixty-two (62) patents and patent applications listed on the attached Appendix (Table) by virtue of assignments from the inventors of the patents and patent applications. The assignments for all but one of the sixty-two (62) patents and patent applications were recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel and Frame numbers provided in the Appendix (Table). The executed assignment for patent application serial number 09/286,271 was not recorded and is, therefore, included with this submission.

The undersigned, whose title is supplied below, is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee.

The undersigned, acting on behalf of the assignee, hereby revokes all powers of attorney previously granted in the applications and appoints:

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Per 37 C.F.R. § 10.18(b), the undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patents and patent applications listed on the attached Appendix (Table), or made an inquiry reasonable under the circumstances, and, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

All correspondence regarding the patents and patent applications should be sent to:

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Respectfully submitted,

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